IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 40 is amended; and claims 1-22, 24-26, 28-39, 41-42, and 44-45 previously have been cancelled without prejudice:

Claims 1-22 (CANCELLED)

23. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for transmitting a data frame having a header portion and a data portion from a mobile station to a network for use in a wireless communication system comprising a base station operable to wirelessly communicate with a plurality of stations, the method comprising:

assigning a first field of the header portion to indicate whether the data frame has a request of a time resource while sending data included in the data portion, wherein the first field has a first logic value when the data frame has the request of the time resource;

assigning a second field of the header portion to identify an amount of the time resource requested when the first field has the first logic value;

assigning a third field of the header portion to contain a priority parameter representing control information related to at least one of a fragmentation and a retransmission; and

transmitting the data frame to the base station.

Claims 24-26 (CANCELLED)

27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A station operable within a wireless communication system, the station comprising:

a data frame generator configured to form a data frame, the data frame comprising a header portion and a data portion wherein the header portion further comprises

a first field to indicate whether the data frame has a time resource request while sending data included in the data portion, the first field having a first logic value when the data frame has the request of the time resource;

a second field to identify an amount of the time resource requested when the first field has the first logic value;

a third field to contain a priority parameter representing control information related to at least one of a fragmentation and a retransmission; and a transmitter for transmitting the data frame to a base station.

Claims 28-39 (CANCELLED)

40. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of transmitting data from a mobile station to a network in a wireless communication system, the method comprising:

transmitting a time resource request within a data frame frame, the data frame-comprising a header portion and a data portion, wherein the header portion has at least

a first field having a first logic value to indicate to the network that the data frame has the time resource request,

a second field to identify an amount of time resource required when the first field has the first logic value, and

a third field to contain a priority parameter representing control information related to at least one of a fragmentation and a retransmission:

receiving a time resource allocation responsive to the time resource request; and

transmitting the data frame within the allocated time resource.

Claims 41-42 (CANCELLED)

43. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of transmitting data in a wireless communication system, the method comprising:

forming a data frame in a mobile station having a header portion and a data portion, wherein the header portion has at least

a first field to indicate to the network whether the data frame has a time resource request, the first field having a first logic value when the data frame has the time resource request.

a second field to identify an amount of time resource required when the first field has the first logic value, and

a third field to contain a priority parameter representing control information related to at least one of a fragmentation and a retransmission:

transmitting the data frame to the network;

allocating the time resource responsive to the time resource request by the network;

receiving an indication at the mobile station of the allocated time resource; and

transmitting the data frame from the mobile station to the network.

Claims 44-45 (CANCELLED)

46. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for transmitting a data frame from a mobile station to a network for use in a wireless communication system comprising a base station operable to wirelessly communicate with a plurality of stations, the method comprising;

forming the data frame, wherein the data frame comprises a header portion and a data portion, and wherein the header portion further comprises

a first field to indicate to the network whether the data frame has a time resource request while sending data included in the data portion, the first field having a first logic value when the data frame has the request of the time resource.

a second field to identify an amount of time resource required when the first field has the first logic value, and

a third field to contain priority parameter representing control information related to at least one of a fragment and a retransmission; and transmitting the data frame to a base station.